

1888, art. 62, sec. 3. 1860, art. 60, sec. 3. 1860, ch. 271

3. All marriages made and celebrated in or out of this State prior to March 9, 1860, by and between persons related within the following degrees of affinity, to wit: a man and his niece, or a woman and her nephew, are hereby confirmed and made valid to every intent and purpose from the time of the celebration of such marriages, respectively; and every such marriage shall be held and taken by all courts of this State to be good and sufficient in law to all intents and purposes.

Harrison v. Harrison, 22 Md. 468. Denison v. Denison 35 Md. 361.

Ibid. sec. 4. 1860, art. 60, sec. 4. 1777, ch. 12, sec. 3. 1865, ch. 130.

1866, ch. 102. 1868, ch. 42. 1882, ch 357. 1886, ch 497.

4. No person within this State shall be joined in marriage until a license shall have been obtained from the clerk of the circuit court for the county in which the marriage is to be performed, or if in Baltimore city, from the clerk of the court of common pleas, or unless the names of the parties intending to marry shall be thrice published in some church or house of religious worship in the county where the woman resides on three several Sundays by some minister residing in said county; provided, nevertheless, that any person within this State may marry according to the ceremony used by the society of people called Quakers, the contracting parties signing a certificate to the effect that they have agreed to take each other for husband and wife, and said certificate being attested by at least twelve witnesses; and provided further, that the said certificate shall, within sixty days, be recorded either amongst the records of the society to which either of the contracting parties may belong, or in some court of record in the city or county in which the said marriage may be accomplished. The license required by this article shall be in the following form, to wit: State of Maryland, and county of ———, to any minister of the Gospel, or other officer or person authorized by the laws of this State to solemnize marriage, you are hereby authorized to join together in the holy state of matrimony, according to the rules and ceremonies of your church, society or religious sect, and the laws of this State, A B and C D. Given under my hand and the seal of the circuit court for ——— county (or the court of common pleas of Baltimore city), at ———, this ——— day of ———, A. D., one thousand, nine hundred ———
—————, Clerk.